SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-18 and 20-66 have been amended.

Claims 67-69 have been added.

All amendments to the claims are made relative to the Amended Sheets filed in the PCT application, which form the original claim set of the present application. All claim designators, accordingly, are relative to this original claim set.

Support for all amendments to the claims and the introduction of new Clamis 67-69 is provided by original Claims 1-66.

No new matter has been added by the present amendment.

REMARKS

Claims 1-69 are pending in the present application.

The objection to Claims 4-14, 18, 19, 45-57, and 61-63 under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c) is obviated by amendment. Applicants have amended the claims to remove all multiple dependencies. Withdrawal of this ground of objection is requested.

The rejection of Claims 1-3 and 42-44 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph (enablement), is obviated by amendment.

Applicants make no statement with respect to the propriety of this ground of rejection and in no way acquiesce to the same. Solely to expedite examination, Applicants have amended the claims to delete any recitation of "solvates".

Withdrawal of this ground of rejection is requested.

The rejection of Claims 1-3 and 42-44 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Bock et al is respectfully traversed.

In making this rejection, the Examiner cites the compound of Example 10 disclosed by Bock et al at column 30. This compound is as follows:

Example 10 of Bock et al

Applicants respectfully submit that the compound of Example 10 of Bock et al does not fall within the scope of the claimed invention.

Specifically, the compound of Example 10 of Bock et al contains a 2-oxo-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptyl moiety. In contrast, neither W nor Wb encompass aliphatic radicals substituted by cycloaliphatic groups nor cycloaliphatic radicals condensed with a cycloaliphatic ring. Thus, this ground of rejection is without merit as the

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compound of Example 10 of Bock et al fails to fall within the scope defined in the

claimed invention.

Withdrawal of this ground of rejection is requested.

With respect to the withdrawn method claims, the Examiner is reminded that

if, as in this case, Applicant elects claims directed to the product, and a product claim

is subsequently found allowable, withdrawn process claims which depend from or

otherwise include all the limitations of the allowable product claim should be rejoined (see MPEP §821.04). Applicants note that should the examined product claims be

found allowable, withdrawn process claims should be rejoined. An action to this

effect is requested.

Finally, to address the Examiner's indication with respect to priority,

Applicants submit herewith a verified English translation of Spanish patent ES

2232292, which corresponds to the priority application ES 200301812, filed July 30,

2003.

Applicants submit that the present application is ready for allowance. Early

notice to this effect is requested.

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